

Docket No. 3008-0042
Client No. PHNF-01230
File No. 521.41447X00



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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 10/000,033
Confirmation No. : 9300
Applicant : KITAMURA, et al.
Filed : December 4, 2001
TC/A.U. : 2179
Examiner : H. Herndon
Customer No. : 20457

**COMMUNICATION TO GROUP DIRECTOR
FOR TECHNOLOGY GROUP 2179**

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

August 13, 2004

Dear Group Director Peggy Focarino:

A formal request for status on the above-referenced application was filed on May 11, 2004.

Because we did not receive a timely response to our status request, we further filed a Communication to SPE Heather Herndon on June 15, 2004 requesting her assistance in obtaining a response to our status request. A courtesy copy of this Communication is also attached.

We still have not received a response to our original status request filed on May 11, 2004. Additionally, we have had no reply to the follow on communication to the SPE filed on June 15, 2004.

Accordingly, we would appreciate your assistance in obtaining a prompt reply to our request for a status of the above-reference application.

Please feel free to contact the undersigned should you have any questions regarding the above or the prior filings.

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Thank you for your assistance.

Respectfully submitted,
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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sterling W. Chandler", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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COMMUNICATION TO SUPERVISOR
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June 15, 2004

Dear SPE Heather Herndon:

A formal request for status on the above-referenced application was filed on May 11, 2004.

We have yet to receive a response to our request. Accordingly, we would appreciate your assistance in ensuring prompt issuance of a response to our request.

Please feel free to contact the undersigned should you have any questions regarding this communication or the previously submitted status request.

Respectfully submitted,

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